

REMARKS

The present Office Action mailed September 28, 2005 alleges that the present Application contains four distinct inventions. As such, the Examiner has required Applicants to elect a single invention for prosecution on the merits. Specifically, the Examiner has required Applicants to elect between a first Group I recited in Claims 1 - 7 and 13 - 18, a second Group II recited in Claims 8 - 12, a third Group III recited in Claims 19 - 25, and a fourth Group IV recited in Claims 26 - 35.

ELECTION WITHOUT TRAVERSE

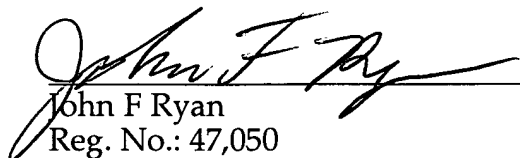
Applicants elect without traverse the first Group I, recited in Claims 1- 7 and 13 - 18.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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